



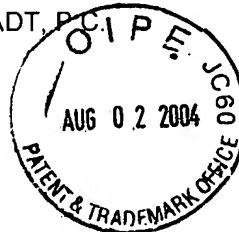
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

### Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) (see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1)). See Figure(s) 1 and 2.

### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

- \$130 for English translation surcharge required.

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**THIS IS A RESPONSE TO A  
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF AN APPLICATION**

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Re: Inventor: Hiroyuki MITANI, et al.  
Serial No: 10/797,078  
Filed: March 11, 2004  
For: SUPPORTING BASE FOR GAS SEPARATING MEMBRANE,  
PRODUCING METHOD THEREOF AND GAS SEPARATING  
FILTER

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**PTO Cover Letter; Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application (Return Copy); Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application; Letter Submitting Replacement Drawings Sheet(s); Replacement Drawing sheets (2); Copy of Certificate of Translation; Certified English Translation of the Specification (45 pp., 8 Claims, 2 Drawing sheets)**

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hiroyuki MITANI, et al.

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FOR: SUPPORTING BASE FOR GAS SEPARATING MEMBRANE, PRODUCING METHOD  
THEREOF AND GAS SEPARATING FILTER

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL  
APPLICATION**

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated June 2, 2004, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.52(d), Applicants submit herewith photocopies of the following pertinent papers as filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 29, 2004:

Certification of Translation

Certified English Translation of the Specification (45 pp., 8 claims, 2 Drawing sheets)

Date-stamped Filing Receipt

Thus, which is fully responsive to the requirement for an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate.

The required English translation surcharge fee of \$130.00 was paid at the time of filing the application.

Further, in response to the requirement for replacement drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84 and 37 C.F.R. 1.121, Applicants submit herewith:

Letter Submitting Replacement Drawings Sheet(s)

Replacement Sheets for FIGS. 1 &amp;2 (2 pp.)

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

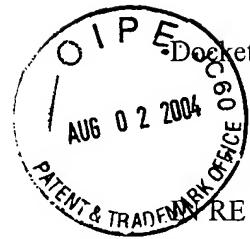
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LETTER SUBMITTING REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET(S)

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SIR:

Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

2 Replacement Drawing Sheets       \_\_\_\_\_ New Drawing Sheets

Official Action dated \_\_\_\_\_

Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee dated \_\_\_\_\_

Other Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 2, 2004

The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

Submitted herewith are the Replacement Sheets for FIGS. 1 & 2

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